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REMARKS

Claims 1-5 have been withdrawn from further consideration in the present application. Applicant(s) have cancelled claims 1-5.

Applicant(s) acknowledge the typographical error of no claim 18 in the application.

The Office Action rejects claims 6 and 8-11 under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Kumar. Applicant(s) have cancelled claim 6. In accordance with the Examiner's helpful suggestion, Applicant(s) have amended claim 7 to include the limitations of claim 6. The amendment to claim 7 merely complies with the recommendation from the Examiner in the Final Office Action and therefore does not constitute a need to conduct a further search. The amendment should be entered.

Claim 7 is believed to patentably distinguish over the Kumar reference. Claims 8-11 are believed to be in condition for allowance as each is dependent from an allowable base claim.

The Office Action rejects claim 12, 13, 15-17, and 19 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kumar.

Applicant(s) have cancelled claim 12. In accordance with the Examiner's helpful suggestion, Applicant(s) have amended claim 14 to include the limitations of claim 12. The amendment to claim 14 merely complies with the recommendation from the Examiner in the Final Office Action and therefore does not constitute a need to conduct a further search. The amendment should be entered.

Claim 14 is believed to patentably distinguish over the Kumar reference. Claims 13, 15-17 and 19 are believed to be in

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Applicant(s) believe that all information and requirements for the application have been provided to the USPTO. If there are matters that can be discussed by telephone to further the prosecution of the Application, Applicant(s) invite the Examiner to call the undersigned attorney at the Examiner's convenience.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due with this Response to U.S. PTO Account No. 17-0055.

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